

9' Integrated Circuits and Integrated-Circuit Layouts", having serial number 60/298,146, and filed 6/12/2001; and U.S. Provisional Patent Application entitled "Method and Apparatus for Routing a Set of Nets", having serial number 60/351,459, and filed 1/22/2002.—

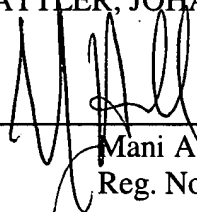
**REMARKS**

This Preliminary Amendment provides the serial number (60/351,459) for a provisional application that was previously identified in the claim of benefit of the above-referenced application.

Respectfully submitted,

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